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**RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR §1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE
TECHNOLOGY CENTER ART UNIT 1753**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Kazunori ANAZAWA et al.

Group Art Unit: 1753

Application No.: 10/600,352

Examiner: S. VERSTEEG

Filed: June 23, 2003

Docket No.: 116316

For: MANUFACTURING APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR CARBON NANOTUBE

REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION AFTER FINAL REJECTION

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In reply to the August 2, 2005 Office Action, reconsideration of the rejection and objections is respectfully requested in light of the following remarks.

Claims 1-33 are pending. Applicants acknowledge and thank the Examiner for indicating that claims 17-33 are allowed and claims 2-4 and 14-16 contain allowable subject matter. Reconsideration is respectfully requested in view of the following remarks.

The Office Action provisionally rejects claims 1 and 5-13 under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting over claims 2 and 7-15 of co-pending application No. 10/656,267. Applicants note that Application No. 10/656,267 has now issued into U.S. Patent No. 6,936,228 B2. Thus, the rejection is no longer provisional, but is in fact an actual obviousness-type double patenting rejection.